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How many people know just what our relation with Mexico is at the present moment?

Henry Kaiser of the west end, Boston, has petitioned to have his name changed to King. Why not go the limit and make it President?

South Main street will be paved just in time to be covered with snow. There's no better way than to save the good things till the last, though.

We still hear a great many people telling us the war won't last through the winter. These same people are also kicking because they couldn't see in the beginning that it might last as long as it has and consequently lost a lot of coin selling their war stocks early and cheap.

Mayor Mullen of Everett went on a two weeks' vacation and left but 12 cents upon which to run the city while absent. The acting mayor retaliated by sticking a sign, "Closed for Lack of Funds," upon the mayor's office door as soon as he had spent the 12 cents. Someone ought to be a Roswell to the Mullen administration and at its close give to us a complete story of it. If it wouldn't outdistance "Peck's Bad Boy" in a walk we miss our guess.

WE MUST HELP RUSSIA.

Although realizing the instability of new republics and more especially of a republic such as Russia, which has been under monarchical rule for so many generations that a much more violent revolution than the one which occurred might have been expected at the overthrow of the czar, the United States is pledged to help settle all difficulties that may arise in the path of the new dictator, Kerensky. Reports from Petrograd this week have not been encouraging and the dictator is threatened with great troubles. The Finns are uneasy and if not handled with extreme care may create considerable discontent and resulting strife. In fact there is danger of a big revolt in Finland, the Socialists having refused to help Prof. Ingman to form a Finnish government. A struggle is also anticipated at the opening of the "extraordinary national council" in Moscow concerning which the newspapers are full of speculations. And the Germans have opened a vigorous offensive against the Russian armies in the region of Riga. These things, coupled with the natural difficulties attending the running of a young republic, put Kerensky in a tight position. As things now are in this country there is but one way in which we can help and help immediately and that is to make a new loan. We have already loaned Russia a considerable sum, but it would not be according to the true spirit of the hour if we refused her another in this hour of her need. Nor would it be good policy. Russia is one of our allies and if her armies can be properly organized under a recognized head and then kept well supplied with munitions and rations the eastern front will no longer be a cause of worry to us. We don't feel at all sure that any such harmony will ensue in the Russian army so long as the war lasts nor for a long time thereafter, but the fact can't be overlooked that Russia is fighting with us and that if she can't bear her own burdens it is up to us to shoulder as many of them as we can.

SCHOOL COMES AGAIN.

September is almost here and with its coming thoughts of school arise. The colleges of the country stand to lose many hundreds of thousands of dollars in revenue because of the big influx of college undergraduates into the many branches of national service. Freshman classes promise to be about normal, but the three upper classes are greatly thinned. There is no remedy for such a condition, except, possibly, the assembling of far greater entering classes. Most colleges are endeavoring to do this but seem to be having difficulty in even getting normal entering classes.

Various inducements are being made to young men just out of prep schools. At Harvard the tuition is to be paid hereafter by the quarter rather than in halves, thus enabling a man to quit college in the middle of a semester without losing his total tuition. Similar arrangements are being made elsewhere, so that a man can enter college without standing to lose anything financially if he finds that he wants to leave in mid-term.

Public schools, high schools, seminaries, and academies, do not stand to lose many students because of the war, at least this coming fall. Most graduates of these lower institutions are not

over 18 years of age and with the liability for service age in the army placed at 21 they still have three years that may very well be employed in attending some higher institution of learning. And it is essential that as many of them as possible do attend college. The college men of this generation have responded nobly to the call of the nation and as a result will suffer great losses in numbers. To fill up these ranks an added number of college men must be turned out in the next few years. The youth of 18 or 19 who enters or continues in attendance at college is just as surely doing his bit towards national preservation as the youth of the same age who enters the army.

CURRENT COMMENT

The Russian Mystery.

Something has happened in Russia. Nobody knows what. At least those who are likely to know refuse to tell us. The air is full of rumors. Riga may have fallen. The Teutons may be on their way to Petrograd. The other allied nations cannot see through the fog. The British have sent over heavy guns, only to hear that these have been in some instances buried to keep them out of the hands of traitors. The United States has advanced Russia credit, but to-day hardly knows whether the new resources accrued to the advantage of friend or foe. The latest plan is to let Col. Roosevelt lead an army into Russia by the Siberian route, but nobody seems to know whether its arrival would be welcomed or resisted. He might stop on his way and compare notes with the ex-czar. Then, besides, the Japanese mission is here, and some observers think the present mystery calculated to impress them with the seriousness of the situation. Perhaps we shall soon know. —Boston Herald.

LOOK OUT FOR A TRAP

Danger for the Allies in Any Parleying Now.

Germany's actual military position remains very favorable. Her armies occupy Belgian, French, Russian, Rumanian and Serbian territory. Simply on the basis of the existing war map, her bargaining power at a peace conference is very formidable. Should such a conference take place, under present conditions, the desire for peace in the world would be strong enough to seriously handicap the entente powers and the United States in case they should find, after entering the conference, that Germany's terms were unacceptable. The resumption of hostilities being out of the question, the Germans in the conference would have things very much their own way; and, being in actual possession of entente territory, as well as of such disputed areas as Alsace-Lorraine and Prussian and Austrian Poland, they could force upon their foes by diplomacy the substance of a German peace.

That such a trap for the opponents of Germany must be avoided will be generally conceded. It may be said, therefore, that in case the German answer to the pope's note should be withheld, as if to force an answer by the entente and the United States, before the German response were drafted, there would justifiably be an occasion for plain talk in correspondence with the Vatican concerning the obligation of the German government to define the conditions on which it would make peace. The Reichstag peace resolution is worthless as a source of information because the German government is not controlled by the Reichstag. The supreme war lord must answer.

A certain caution and wariness in dealing with the problem is required by the vast interests at stake. The president's policy of vigorous prosecution of the war to the utmost limit of America's resources has borne fruit already. Peace is being hastened by America's strenuous war preparations. Nothing should be lost by diplomacy that has been gained by the determination to make war with the utmost power and speed. Yet, in the exchanges that must come it will be necessary finally to give fair assurance to the German people that their political or economic destruction has no place in America's programme.—Springfield Republican.

JINGLES AND JESTS

The New-Fashioned Girl.

Oldboy—What's become of the old-fashioned girl who used to say, "Ask father?"

Newguy—She now has a daughter who says, "Give it more gas, George, the old man is gaining on us."—The Lamb.

No Claim to Exemption.

"Madam, are you and your family entirely dependent upon your husband?" "Laws-a-mercies, Mr. Ossifer, do we uns look that starved?"—Baltimore American.

A Mistake.

Jane—Why did the enlisting officer turn Charlie down?

Marie—On account of his eyes.

Jane—Why, I think he has beautiful eyes, don't you?—Judge.

We Don't Blame Her.

Nice Old Lady—Do you play on the piano, Harold?

Little Harold—Not when Maw's around. She'd be afraid I'd fall off.—Judge.

Great Ideas.

Patience—I think it will be nice when they get more single women in Congress.

Patience—What's the idea?

"Why, when they want to get away they can pair with the single men."—Yonker Statesman.

Precision.

Stranger—Where'll I get a Madison Avenue car?

Police—Lady, if you don't get off the track you're going to get one in the left side.—Gas Logie.

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SUNDAY SERVICES AT THE CHURCHES

TIMES AND PLACES OF WORSHIP AND SUBJECTS OF SERMONS

Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints—Services held every Sunday at 11 a. m. in the Worthen hall. No collection. Everybody welcome. No Sunday school.

Christian Science Church—Service at 10:45 a. m. Wednesday evening meeting at 7:30. To these services all are welcome. The reading-room is open Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays from 3 to 5 p. m. 7 Summer street.

Presbyterian Church—Edgar Crossland, pastor. Morning service at 10:30; subject of sermon, "Women of the Bible—Rizpah." At 12, Bible class meeting. 7 p. m., Ralph Rogers of Barre will preach. Everybody over 16 cordially invited.

Universalist Church—John B. Reardon, minister. Public worship and sermon at 10:30; subject, "All Human Enmity a Mistake." No Sunday school session except for those over 16. The Bible class will meet at 12. No Y. P. C. U. meeting in the evening.

Hedding Methodist Episcopal Church—Bailey Gatzert Lipsky, pastor. Mr. Lipsky will preach in the Congregational church at 10:30 a. m. on the theme, "The Way to Liberty." Services will be resumed in the Hedding Methodist Episcopal church the first Sunday in September.

Brook Street Italian Church—J. F. Plainfield, pastor. No Sunday school for children or boys and girls under 16 until advised differently. The adult class will meet with the pastor in the class room at 7 p. m. Preaching service at 7:30; theme, "Kindness." Pastor's residence, 61 Hill street.

Congregational Church—Rev. Bailey G. Lipsky of the Hedding Methodist Episcopal church will preach at the union service of the two churches at 10:30 a. m. in the Congregational church. The sermon theme will be "The Way to Freedom." The members and friends of these two churches are urged to be present at this initial service. The music Sunday morning will include: Organ, "Finale from Fourth Sonata" (Gullmanti); "Torrata" (Nevini); anthem, "Gloria" (Farmer); tenor solo, "The Cross" (Ware).

For and Against.

The woman who has lately done the most for the cause of woman suffrage is Mrs. Grace Humiston, who taught the police department of New York a great lesson in efficiency.

The women who have lately done the most against the cause of woman suffrage are those pickets and banner carriers in Washington, who have tried to weaken the hand of our president and government in the great fight with Kaiser Bill.—Life.

Handicapped.

The traveler had four minutes in which to catch a train.

"Can't you go any faster than this?" he asked the conductor.

"I could," replied the conductor, "but I am obliged to stay with my car."—B. B. T. Monthly.

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CEMETERY SUPTS. HERE NEXT WEEK

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Barre: "Some Shade Tree Pests." Harold L. Bailey of Bradford, head of state insect suppression department: "Concrete Fences as Adapted to the Cemetery." John F. Peterson, Mount Auburn cemetery, Cambridge, Mass.: "Pricing of Cemetery Lots." W. N. Rudd, Greenwood cemetery, Chicago, Ill.: "general good time and round-up." Howland hall at 9 p. m.; light refreshments; orchestra.

Fourth day: Business session at 9 a. m.; "Service," H. S. Bessinger, Woodmere cemetery, Detroit, Mich.; election of officers; reports of committees; unfinished business; immediately after adjournment the party will leave in automobiles for Williamstown golf, where lunch will be served. Afterward there will be field day exercises under the leadership of George Painter and Bill Jones, with Bill Atkinson acting as starter. The Barre pipe and drum band will be in attendance. The convention officially ends Friday, Aug. 31.

AMUSEMENT NOTES

Park theatre patrons will be glad to learn that the theatre will be open again after a lapse of a month on account of the quarantine. The first show will begin at 2:15 Monday afternoon and shows will be run as before. The interior has just been cleaned and painted, and everything has been put in good running order to insure a first-class show. Manager Eames has booked some good features for the opening week and with practically the same orchestra the same high standard will obtain. A clarinet player will take the place of the drummer, enlisted, at an early date. Because of the increase in film rentals no five-cent tickets will be sold for evening performances hereafter. Every Wednesday a big feature with special music will be given at a small advance over our customary prices. See our ad. on page 6 of to-day's Times.—adv.

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